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FT. HUACHUCA BUILD-UP

A 3,500 man combat training brigade will be established at Ft. Huachuca, Arizona, it was announced today.

In a joint statement, Senator Carl Hayden (D-Ariz.) and Rep. Morris K. Udall (D. Ariz.), said the build-up has been in the making for several months.

The combat brigade will be in addition to the existing Army's electronics command stationed there now and the combat surveillance school.

The Arizona legislators said the first elements of the brigade are expected to arrive this fall, possibly September, at the rate of 450 per week and continue up to the 3,500 capacity. Along with the troops some 1400 administrative and training personnel will also arrive.

Hayden said the purpose of the brigade is to train personnel in combat support services such as the clerical, mechanical, and vehicular operation fields.

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Ft. Huachuca was established in Arizona as a cavalry outpost in 1877 and was the site of Army training programs in World Wars I and II and during the Korean War. It has been continuously open except for a brief time after World War II.

Major General Benjamin H. Pochyla is Commanding General there.

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